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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP LA US
SUBJECT: LAO CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES ON U.S. NATIONAL DAY

REF: 76 VIENTIANE 1600

1. THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION'S OFFICIAL DAILY BULLETIN JULY 4 (RECEIVED LATE AT EMBASSY) CARRIED IN ITS FRENCH AND LAO EDITIONS THE TEXTS OF TELEGRAMS FROM PRESIDENT SOUPHANOUVONG TO PRESIDENT CARTER AND FROM MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS PHOUNE SIPRASEUTH TO SECRETARY VANCE. BOTH MESSAGES EXPRESSED THE WISH THAT "RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IMPROVE IN THE INTERESTS OF OUR TWO PEOPLES." THE PARTY NEWSPAPER "VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" JULY 5 ALSO PROMINENTLY FEATURED THE MESSAGES ON THE FRONT PAGE. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATIONS OF THE TEXTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

2. QUOTE: STATE TELEGRAM FROM MR. SOUPHANOUVONG, PRESIDENT OF THE LPDR TO HIS EXCELLENCY MR. JIMMY
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CARTER, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. I HAVE THE HONOR TO ADDRESS TO YOUR EXCELLENCY AND TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. MY WISHES FOR HEALTH AND PROSPERITY ON THE OCCASION OF THE NATIONAL DAY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. MAY THE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IMPROVE IN THE INTERESTS OF OUR TWO PEOPLES. HIGH CONSIDERATION.

SOUPHANOUVONG, PRESIDENT OF THE LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC. VIENTIANE, JULY 4, 1977. END QUOTE.

3. QUOTE: STATE TELEGRAM FROM MR. PHOUNE SIPRASEUTH,
DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF
THE LPDR. TO HIS EXCELLENCY MR. CYRUS VANCE, SECRE-
TARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. I HAVE
THE HONOR TO ADDRESS TO YOU MY BEST WISHES FOR GOOD
HEALTH AND SUCCESS ON THE OCCASION OF THE NATIONAL DAY
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. MAY THE RELATIONS
BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES IMPROVE IN THE INTERESTS OF
OUR TWO PEOPLES. HIGH CONSIDERATIONBH PHOUNE
SIPRASEUTH, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, MINISTER OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS. VIENTIANE, JULY 4, 1977. END QUOTE

4. COMMENT: BOTH MESSAGES APPEAR SLIGHTLY COOLER AND
ARE BRIEFER THAN THOSE OFFERED IN 1976 (REFTEL).

5. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT DEPARTMENT CONSIDER FOLLOW-
ING PROPOSED REPLIES:

BEGIN QUOTE:

HIS EXCELLENCY SOUPHANOUVONG
PRESIDENT OF THE LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

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DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:
THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE ON THE OCCASION OF THE
201ST ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE. I SHARE
YOUR WISH THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES
IMPROVE IN THE INTERESTS OF THE LAO AND AMERICAN
PEOPLES. PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. PRESIDENT, THE ASSURANCES
OF MY HIGH CONSIDERATION. JIMMY CARTER. END QUOTE.

BEGIN QUOTE:

HIS EXCELLENCY PHOUNE SIPRASEUTH
DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE LAO PEOPLES' DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

DEAR MR. MINISTER:
THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND TELEGRAM ON THE OCCASION OF
THE 201ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. I SHARE YOUR HOPE THAT
RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL IMPROVE IN
THE INTERESTS OF OUR TWO PEOPLES. PLEASE ACCEPT,
MR. MINISTER, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGH CONSIDERATION.
CYRUS VANCE.

END QUOTE.
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